

Guidelines for Home Education Programs

1. To enter a child in a home education program:

- The parent/guardian completes the *Notification of Intent to Establish a Home Education Program* form for each student to be home educated, along with proof of residency and files with **Laura Austin, Administrator, Santa Rosa Blended Academy, 5330 Berryhill Road, Milton, FL 32570**. The notification of intent form must be filed in the administrator's office within the 30 days of the establishment of a home education program.
- Parent withdraws student from last school attended (if applicable) **after registering with the home school office** their intent to establish a home education program. A copy of the intent form, signed and initialed will be provided to the parent to take to the school the child is withdrawing from to show the student has re-enrolled elsewhere.

2. Maintaining a home education program:

- The parent/guardian shall maintain a portfolio of records and materials as prescribed in Florida School Law #232.0201(1) (b).
- The parent/guardian shall provide an annual educational evaluation of each student as prescribed in Florida School law #232.0201(1) c.

The Evaluation Checklist, along with supporting documentation, is completed and filed with the office of **Laura Austin, Administrator, Santa Rosa Blended Academy, 5330 Berryhill Road, Milton, FL 32570** each year on the anniversary date of enrollment in the home education program.

3. To terminate a home education program:

- The parent/guardian shall file a *Notification of Termination of a Home Education Program* form for each child being terminated from a home program with the office of **Laura Austin, Administrator, Santa Rosa Blended Academy, 5330 Berryhill Road, Milton, FL, 32570**, within 30 days of the termination of the program.
- The notification of termination from shall be filed if the person is being terminated for any reason, e.g., moving from the district, return to public school, high school graduation, enrolling in private school, etc.

4. NO HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA SHALL BE RECEIVED UPON COMPLETION OF THE HOME EDUCATION PROGRAM.

- A home school student seeking a diploma must re-enter their zoned high school no later than the beginning of the second semester of their 12th grade year, and if/when they have completed the requirements for graduation, in order to receive a diploma.
- A student may enroll in Santa Rosa Online, and after meeting the requirements of the program, receive a diploma. Students interested in SRO should contact Laura Austin, Principal, at 850-981-7860.
- While not required, a parent should consider having the student take the GED to show completion of high school.

*****Please note that for employment purposes in the student's future, a high school diploma or GED is recommended.**